

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated below.

Please cancel claim 1 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 2-7.

Please add new claims 8-10.

It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (cancelled)

Claim 2 (currently amended): The method of claim ~~1~~ 8, wherein the ~~control sets the range between setting~~ is performed so as to set the lower and upper limits in proportion to the measured load parameter of the laundry.

Claim 3 (currently amended): The method of claim 2, wherein the ~~cycles commence at a low number of rotation~~ the rotating is performed so as to rotate the drum at the start of a washing cycle of the laundry treatment machine at a rotational speed lower than respective rotational speeds later in the washing cycle.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The method of claim 3, wherein the ~~control sets the cycle of rotations~~ further comprising setting the respective rotational speeds of the washing cycle so as to yield a rotary rotational speed versus time profile of substantially trapezoidal configuration.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The method of claim 3, wherein the ~~control sets the cycle of rotations~~ further comprising setting the respective rotational speeds of the washing cycle so as to yield a rotary rotational speed versus time profile of substantially pointed configuration.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The method of claim ~~1~~ 8, wherein the lower limit lies between 30 and 40 rpm.

Claim 7 (currently amended): The method of claim ~~1~~ 8, wherein the upper limit lies between 50 and 80 rpm.

Claim 8 (new): A method of controlling a laundry treatment machine having laundry disposed therein, the method comprising the steps of:

measuring a load parameter using a measuring device, the load parameter being a function of the laundry disposed in the laundry treatment machine;

setting an upper and a lower limit of a rotational speed of a drum of the laundry treatment machine as a function of the load parameter; and

rotating the drum with a drive motor according to the set upper and lower limits.

Claim 9 (new): The method of claim 8, wherein the setting is performed using a control.

Claim 10 (new): The method of claim 8, wherein the load parameter is a function of a weight of the laundry disposed in the laundry treatment machine.